

Before The
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of)	
)	IB Docket No. 03-38
Bayan Telecommunications Company)	
Digital Telecommunications Philippines, Inc.)	
Globe Telecom, Inc.)	
Philippine Long Distance Telephone Company)	
Smart Communications, Inc.)	
Subic Telecom)	
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AT&T Emergency Petition for Settlements)	
Stop Payment Order and Request for)	
Immediate Interim Relief)	

**COM M E N T
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A T & T R E P O R T**

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Digital Telecommunications Phils., Inc. (DIGITEL) is respectfully submitting its Comment to AT&T's Report re: Status Of Its Efforts To Have Its Circuits Fully Restored On The U.S.-Philippines Route, as follows, to wit:

AT&T IS AGAIN MISREPRESENTING TO THE HONORABLE COMMISSION THAT DIGITEL CEASED ALL BLOCKING OF TRAFFIC.

From the onset, **DIGITEL** has consistently manifested to the Honorable Commission that it ***did not and is not blocking AT&T's circuits.*** This, at least until after the termination of its International Telecommunications Service Agreement (ITSA) with AT&T effective 28 July 2003, which is one hundred eighty (180) days from the date DIGITEL served on 30 January 2003 its Notice of Termination to AT&T.

That is why DIGITEL is again informing the Honorable Commission that, instead of reporting the facts as they truly are, AT&T is once again misrepresenting to the Honorable Commission that "x x x Digital Telecommunications Philippines, Inc. ("Digitel"), which are also subject to [sic] the Order, appear to have ceased all blocking of traffic" (*please see AT&T Report, page 1*). If DIGITEL never blocked AT&T circuits, how can the former cease to block traffic coming from the latter? Stated otherwise, AT&T is making it appear that DIGITEL opened its circuits with AT&T as a result of the Order of the International Bureau. This is very clearly a false statement.

NO AGREEMENT HAS YET BEEN REACHED.

DIGITEL is however confirming that no agreement has yet been reached with AT&T for the termination rate of traffic on the U.S.-Philippine route. And, if no agreement is in place before the effectivity date of the termination of DIGITEL's ITSA with AT&T, DIGITEL shall continue to charge

AT&T US\$0.12 per minute of calls terminating to fixed line phones and US\$0.16 per minute of calls terminating to mobile phones effective 01 February 2003.

P R A Y E R

WHEREFORE, it is respectfully prayed of this Honorable Commission that DIGITEL's Comment to the AT&T Report dated 25 March 2003 be NOTED.

Respectfully submitted.

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